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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 9, 2006, Applicants request the Office consider the following remarks.

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